

Today

6,000 Tattooed Faces.
1,000 Heavy Problems.
Sixty Million Starve—
And the Ash Can Baby.

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What is the most important and difficult problem? A thousand spots on the earth's surface would answer that question in a thousand different ways.

The Chinese thought they were rid of drugs. They burned fourteen million dollars' worth of opium at public expense. Now the Japanese, with drug headquarters in Shantung, are sending in by the ton morphine in place of opium, and are making millions out of it. Opium was bad enough, but the Chinese had got accustomed to it. THEIR question is: How can we keep out morphine manufactured in England and sold by the Japanese? ANSWER: They probably CAN'T.

Vienna is in deep mourning for the peace, flying black flags. The same condition prevails in Germany. Their question is: After you make war and lose, how can you rise from the ashes? Answer: Work hard, be patient, wait for others to make mistakes, as you did. They will make them.

England's problems are labor unrest and political agitation in Ireland. They menace England's fundamental security. The question in Great Britain is: After you win a war, get the enemy's ships, his colonies, some of his money, all of his foreign trade—how can you win your home war, against freedom in Ireland, and the constantly increasing demands of labor in England?

Time will answer that question; it may not be a satisfactory answer for England.

In this country we have a million questions. One man who has been fool enough to sell Liberty bonds and buy oil slick asks himself how much an oil well is worth when there isn't any oil in it?

Another who has let whiskey conquer his nervous system asks how, after July 1, he will manage to control the nerves that have taken control of him, and especially what particular drug will help him do it?

Many problems the people of the earth must consider. Some will be solved satisfactorily, others not at all, others disagreeably and violently.

In the news of this moment, the most interesting, picturesque problem is that of the six thousand young Christian women rescued from Turkish harems or turned out by the Turks.

The problem of these six thousand young Christian women is: "How can I get the tattoo marks off my face?"

As the Western cattle raiser brands his cattle with fire so the Turk branded with tattoo marks, indicating ownership, the faces of young women cooped up for his individual amusement.

Just what the marks are is not known. A religious Turk might tattoo on the forehead of his young ladies plums extracted from the Koran; one less religious might prefer a line or two from the original Omar (not the Fitzgerald emulsion).

Others would be content with tattooing. "This lady is the property of so and so; return to such an address."

These unfortunate young Christian women want to start life anew. You can't do that, unless in a dime museum, with Turkish tattooing on your face. They are using acids, even their finger nails, trying to get rid of the tattoo marks.

If the Y. M. C. A. or some other blessed agency would bring them to the United States, they would learn that it isn't necessary to remove tattoo markings; you can cover them up with white, red, or purple and look, in America, like the average carefully painted young woman that never saw the inside of a harem.

Sixty million miserable creatures in India face the problem of starvation. Sometimes they starve in India because they have no rain. This time horrible starvation threatens because of too much rain.

American charity is invited to help the British government feed these miserable tens of millions.

What must those starving Indian mothers think of the heathen gods to whom they pray? They are total abstainers, never touch alcohol, and are strict vegetarians—would die rather than eat meat. Under English compulsion they have given up marrying little girls eight years old, and younger. In spite of all this virtue, they suffer from starvation more than any race and three hundred millions of them live under the thumb of beer-and-whiskey-drinking little England, many thousands miles away. This must puzzle them, as they starve. Some of the less pious may even ask whether virtue pays?

While millions of children starve in India, Mr. Pineloom, a New York broker, is making a hell fight to keep possession of Bobby Ashe, a small baby picked up in an ash can and adopted by Mr. Pineloom. It seems that the ash can baby was a Christian; the Pinelooms are not. So Bobby is taken from them.

In India Mr. Pineloom could get for adoption millions of children, and no questions asked, if he would feed them. He would find them in-

WEATHER:

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PLOT TO DEFRAUD GOVERNMENT OUT OF MILLIONS IS REVEALED

STRIKE CALL WEDNESDAY MAY TIE UP ALL SYSTEMS

CHICAGO, June 8.—A nation-wide strike of "all telegraph and telephone workers" was called last night by S. J. Koenekamp, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America, to take effect June 11, at 8 a. m., Eastern time.

The strike is directed against the Western Union, American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the Postal Telegraph Company and associated institutions, including the Mackay and North American Companies and the telephone companies where "our workers are employed."

The press associations are expected.

The strike will be directed from the union's headquarters in Chicago, and will be assisted by union officials in stated sections of the country.

STRIKERS OFFER MACKAY TO "BREAK" WESTERN UNION IF HE SIDES WITH THEM

ATLANTA, Ga., June 8.—Offers to help fight the Western Union tending striking Commercial telegraph workers in the Southeast by railroad by railroad telegraphers was one of the most important developments in the strike situation today.

Urging the Postal Telegraph Company to recognize their union, striking telegraphers telegraphed Clarence H. Mackay, president of that company, that they would stand loyally behind him in his fight against the Western Union.

"We know that you were double-crossed by Burleson, Carlton, and Vail, just as we were," the telegram (Continued on Page 2, Column 5.)

ORGANIZED LABOR REPUDIATES DEBS

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 8.—By an overwhelming vote, organized labor has repudiated Eugene V. Debs and all other agitators convicted of efforts to embarrass the Government into carrying out effect of the selective draft law.

A resolution appealing to President Wilson to pardon Debs and other convicted agitators was presented at the convention of the Metal Trades department of the American Federation of Labor and caused a hot outbreak. It was voted down by a big majority.

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teresting little creatures with tiny brown hands, luminous eyes, and VERY grateful.

Another modern problem, the last for today, is that of Dr. Wilkins, just at present in jail at Minocla. The police say he killed his wife; he says no. The waxworks museum at Coney Island, near the exhibition of babies in incubators, displays a well-dressed group showing just how Dr. Wilkins is alleged to have murdered his wife. The accessories of the wax group include a hammer and a piece of lead pipe. Dr. Wilkins, from his jail cell, says this injures him socially, causing him humiliation, anxiety, and mental pain. He wants to know how it can be stopped. The judge issues an injunction. The wax workman says he will keep his pretty group, with the lead pipe and the hammer, and exhibit them AFTER the trial.

BIG 3 AGREE ON INTERVIEW WITH FOE TO SPEED TREATY

By ED L. KEEN.

PARIS, June 8.—The date of signing the German peace treaty continues to recede notwithstanding optimistic assurances from many sources.

The fact that President Wilson is going to Belgium about June 15, together with the authoritative statement that it will be impossible for the reply to the German counter-proposals to be presented before June 12, apparently has removed any chance of the treaty being signed before the end of this month.

Adding to the possible causes for delay is the well-based report that President Wilson, Premier Lloyd George and Premier Orlando have agreed to the advisability of entering into oral discussions with the Germans, although Premier Clemenceau is utterly opposed to such a course. Some authorities argue, however, that oral discussion might result in saving time, on the theory that any system would be quicker than the exchange of notes.

Austrians Dissatisfied.

Reports have been received from Innsbruck that the Austrians will follow the Germans' lead and present a series of counter proposals to the treaty which they received last Monday at St. Germain. The Austrian press and public are thoroughly dissatisfied with the terms, according to Vienna dispatches, but are confident that presentation of the treaty is only the opening step in the negotiations, which are expected to result in extensive modifications. Chancellor Renner, head of the Austrian delegation, returned today from Feldkirch, near Innsbruck, where he conferred with Foreign Minister Bauer and other members of the Austrian cabinet.

Premier Orlando, Foreign Minister Sonnino, and Signor Crespi were to leave today for Oulu, near the Fran-

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SLACKER'S TWINS GAIN HIM CLEMENCY

NEW YORK, June 8.—Because his wife is ill and is the mother of twins, John J. Carrigan, a bank clerk, received a sentence of only thirty days in the penitentiary following his plea of guilty of avoiding military service under the second draft call.

NEW YORK 'CURB' TO BE ABOLISHED

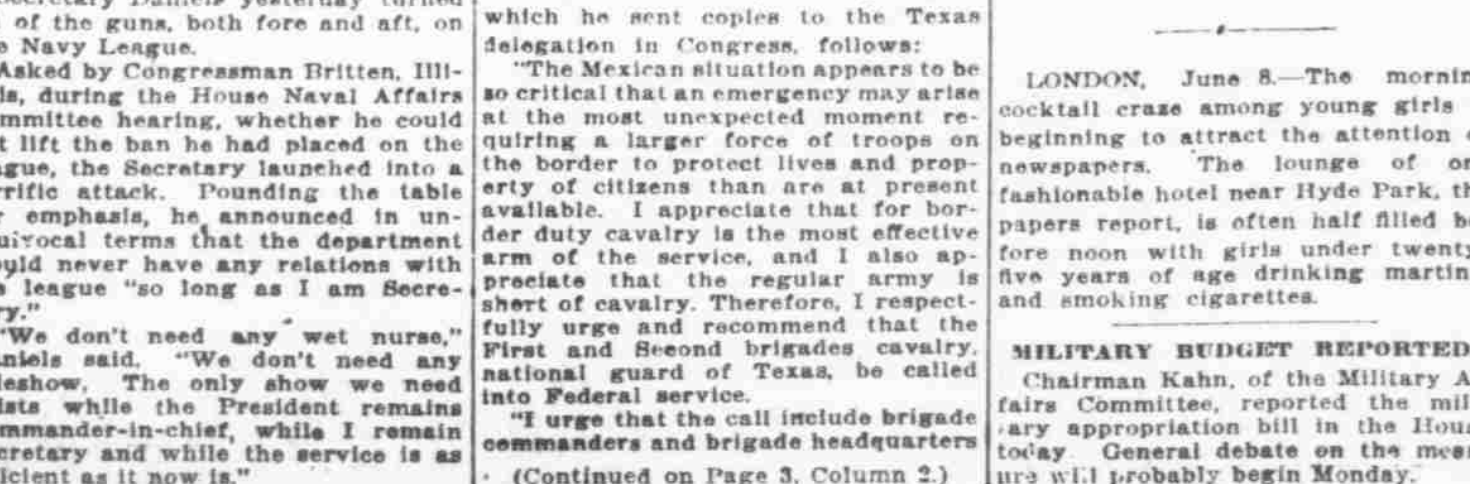
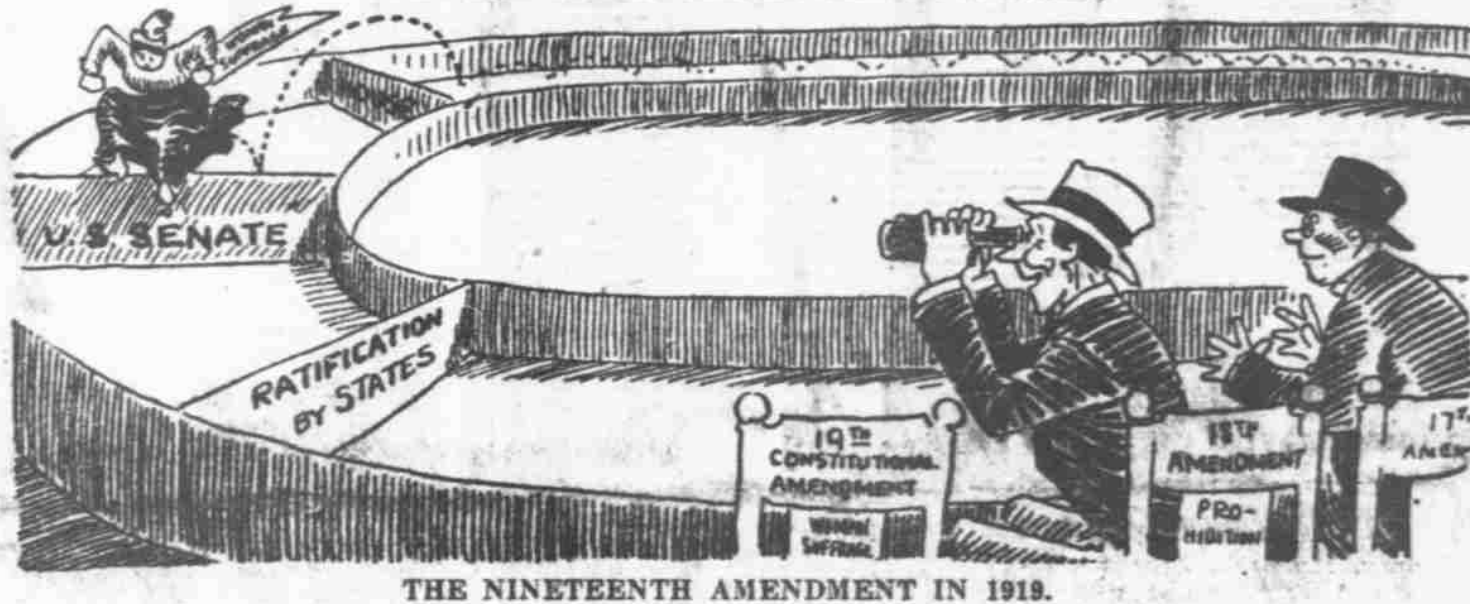
NEW YORK, June 8.—Within a month New York's curb market will be a thing of the past. Following threats of authorities to drive traders off the street, the Curb Brokers' Association decided upon an indoor, closely supervised exchange.

FOES ARE RECRUITING MEN AND GATHERING MUNITIONS

BERNE, June 8.—The Freiheit declares that activity is being displayed in Germany in the recruiting of men and the gathering of armaments. The Socialist paper Abend, of Vienna, has published documents that show how busily engaged is the Vienna recruiting agency.

CARTOONS OF THE DAY

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"RED" TRAILS ALL CENTER IN NEW YORK, SAYS FLYNN

NEW YORK, June 8.—"We are following a hundred trails leading to New York," Chief William Flynn, of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, announced here in connection with the probe into the country-wide bomb plot.

"I do not attach much importance to reports of clues elsewhere," he continued. "All of the anarchist bodies seem to center here. I am entirely confident we will get to the bottom of the whole thing. I hope to be in a position to make a statement soon."

Bomb Plotter Identified.

The "Red" who was blown to bits trying to plant a bomb in the home of Attorney General Palmer, at Washington, D. C., has been identified, but the announcement of his identity is being held for the present. He is believed to have gone from this city to Washington with the bomb that wrecked the Attorney General's home. The police here are prepared to begin a general round up of all radicals. It was expected that Chief Flynn would order the round up and personally direct it.

FOREIGN-MADE BOMB IS FOUND AT ENTRANCE OF SUBWAY IN PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, June 8.—A three and a half inch shell of foreign make, highly charged with a powerful explosive, thought to be T. N. T., was found yesterday in a subway entrance in the heart of the shopping district. Examination of the shell was made (Continued on Page 2, Column 6.)

NO MORE LIBERTY LOANS, SAYS GLASS

Belief that another Government loan would be necessary, expressed recently by some Congressmen, has been set at rest by Secretary Glass. In a statement, Glass declares there has been no change in the Government's financial program, and that another "Liberty loan" would not be floated.

The deficit, anticipated in the Congressional discussion, will be met by an over-the-counter sale of short-term securities, if such is required, Glass said.

KOLCHAK DEFEATED; REDS TAKE 35,000

LONDON, June 8.—The Russian Bolshevik forces have defeated Admiral Kolchak's Siberian army on the Ural front, capturing 35,000 prisoners, according to a wireless dispatch from Moscow.

NEWSPAPER MEN'S HOME BURNS; TWO ARE INJURED

DETROIT, Mich., June 8.—Two men are suffering from severe burns today as a result of fire which broke out in the restaurant conducted in the Detroit News building for employees. A general alarm brought all the downtown apparatus to the scene. Two men were taken from the building badly burned, but the blaze was confined to the one room, as the building is fireproof.

PLANNED SALE OF REJECTED MUNITIONS TO BERLIN 'REDS'

DETROIT, June 8.—An alleged plot to defraud the Government out of \$30,000,000 worth of munitions supplies was bared here today following the indictment, by the grand jury, of four men, two of them army officers, and the arrest of a fifth. The munitions, it is said, were to be sold to Germany.

One of the four men indicted is Capt. Soterios Nicholson, a Washington D. C., attorney, who before entering the service two years ago was connected with the Greek legation. He came to Detroit as disbursing officer and financial manager of the district ordinance office.

Indict Officer Overseas.

The second of the group is a high army officer, now overseas.

The man under arrest is Fred C. Collins, vice consul of Greece and president of the Merchants' Realty Company here.

The other two men are Grant Hugh Brown and Bert Harris, both of New York city. The former is owner of the Devonshire race track in Windsor, Ontario, and is well known in sporting circles both in this country and Canada. The latter is a dealer in salvage.

All the Men Are Under Arrest.

The men, Government officials say, through the manipulation of bids, plotted to gain possession of \$30,000,000 worth of Government munitions at a low price. It is alleged they were planning to resell these munitions to German agents in Mexico City.

Government operatives have worked on the case for two months. A telephone placed in the room of a local hotel, occupied by one of the indicted men, was the means by which most of the evidence was secured.

Capt. Nicholson was arrested Thursday.

Trapped by Decey.

Nicholson recently went to Rochester, Department of Justice agents say, and was met there by Brown. The latter passed \$5,000 to Nicholson, they charge, who, in turn, gave a young army officer, who was aiding the Government, \$2,000. Nicholson's arrest was made on his return here. He had \$3,000 on his person, it is claimed.

Some weeks after Nicholson's arrival here, his activities came under observation of the Department of Justice agents. Eventually a dictatorship was placed in his room. It is alleged that agents heard Brown arrange with Nicholson to "fix it" with "those higher up" so that the bids would be accepted.

The alleged conspiracy consisted of securing the co-operation of an "insider" to reject all outsiders' bids on munitions the Government was to salvage in Washington, was known intimately in Washington's most exclusive social circles for years as counselor of the Greek legation.

A naturalized American citizen, Nicholson also was a prominent lawyer here. He resigned his post as counselor to the legation shortly before King Constantine abdicated. Nicholson is widely known as an an-